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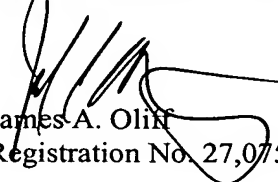
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- ☒ 2. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 1-2 are attached hereto.

- ☒ 3. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese reference(s) has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1-2.

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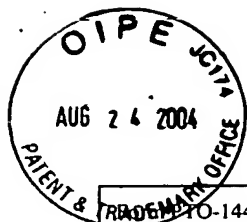
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